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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...to say that we improve the operation of the prisons by in...by restricting more and more the rights of inmates to use the judicial system. I read you a case where the Nebraska Supreme Court said it's the court's job to do that. The court didn't ask for this kind of legislation. The court is able to control the access that anybody has to the courts, and I want the courts to do that. You hear people on this floor and the Attorney General especially talking about violation of the separation of powers. Didn't you hear that on the collection bill yesterday? But when it comes to the rights of inmates, everything goes out the window? Not if I can help it, brothers and sisters. That's all I'll say on this issue this morning. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Brashear, you're recognized to close on your amendment to the committee amendments to LB 865.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Thank you, Mr. President. I'd just ask the members to please adopt the amendment in order that we can strike that portion which I indicated we were striking so that we can get on with the committee amendment which does what Senator Dwite Pedersen and Senator Nancy Thompson have laid out for you. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Brashear. The question is the adoption of the Brashear amendment. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Brashear's amendment to the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The amendment is agreed to. Discussion on the committee amendments? Senator Hilgert.

SENATOR HILGERT: Mr. President, members, Senator Pedersen, if you'd yield to a small discussion here. One of the...I commend for...you for this idea and the overview of the substance abuse issues in the criminal justice system. I would like to remark on a couple things. I think Senator Thompson's study that she